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Procedures for Sales of 2006 Off-Road Vehicle Permits

Superintendent George Price is pleased to announce that sales of Annual Off-Road Vehicle (ORV) permits for the 2006 season will begin at 8:00 AM, Wednesday, March 29th. The price for an Annual ORV Permit is \$150.00 and the price for an Annual Self-Contained Vehicle (SCV) is \$225.00. The ORV corridor opens April 15, 2006.

The 7-Day ORV and 7-Day SCV permits may be purchased through the Advanced Sales System or in person. The price for the 7-Day Self-Contained vehicle permit will remain at \$75.00, but the price for the 7-Day ORV permit has increased to \$40.00. Advanced Sales for 7-Day permits begin March 1, 2006. Please go to our web-site, www.nps.gov/caco/activities for instructions.

As in previous years, Annual ORV permits may be purchased in person at the Oversand Station at Race Point, Provincetown. No Annual ORV permits may be purchased through the Advanced Sales System. The number of annual permits sold will be limited to 150 per day, which means that annual permits will be available from March 29 through April 17, at a minimum.

Several traffic management measures are being taken during ORV permit sales to prevent congested roadways. The following vehicular traffic control measures are designed to have minimal impact on general park users' access to the Race Point area:

- Enforcement of existing laws prohibiting overnight parking (midnight to 6:00 AM) in Seashore parking lots will be enhanced during ORV permit sales at Race Point.

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- Race Point Road will be closed to traffic from its junction with Province Lands Road to Race Point Beach Parking Lot from midnight until 6:00 AM to accommodate fair distribution of ORV permits. (An exception will be made for airport traffic.)
- Roadside parking will be restricted in the Race Point area overnight through 6:00 AM to avoid traffic congestion and accidents.

At 6:00 AM, between March 29th and April 17th, vehicles will be allowed to access the Race Point Beach Parking Lot via Race Point Road. Upon entering the Race Point Parking Lot, ORV permit applicants will be issued a numbered ticket (1-150) allowing the bearer to purchase an ORV permit that day. Each day, 150 annual ORV permits will be issued. Permit sales will begin at 8:00 AM. Holders of numbered tickets will be assigned a time slot during which they may purchase their ORV permit. For example, holders of tickets #1-25 will make their ORV permit purchase between 8:00 and 9:30; #26-50, 9:30 and 11:00; etc. Purchasers may wait in line anytime throughout the day and buy their permit after those holding numbered tickets assigned for a particular hour have been served. Or, purchasers may leave the Race Point area after obtaining a number ticket and return that same day to buy an ORV permit during their assigned hour. No person will be sold an ORV permit without one of the assigned numbered tickets. Lost or stolen numbered tickets will not be replaced, and each numbered ticket is valid only for the day on which it was issued.

Additional information regarding the Cape Cod National Seashore Off-Road Permit Program (how to obtain an ORV permit, vehicle inspections, safety equipment and tire requirements, beach driving tips, off-road vehicle regulations and routes) can be found on the seashore website at:

www.nps.gov/caco/activities or by calling the Off-Road Information line at 508-487-3698.

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